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SUBJECT: PASSENGER SHIPPING IN EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN:
REPORT OF POSSIBLE TERRORIST ATTACK

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DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED REPORT OF UNKNOWN AUTHENTICITY

OF POSSIBLE THREAT TO PASSENGER SHIPPING IN EASTERN MEDIT-
ERRANEAN. REPORT INDICATES TERRORIST GROUP (POPULAR FRONT
FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE/PFLP) CONSIDERING ROCKET
ATTACK FROM MOTORIZED VESSEL(S) TO BE LAUNCHED FROM
LEBANESE COAST (POSSIBLY FROM FEDAYEEN NAVAL INSTALLATION
NEAR TYRE) ON AN UNIDENTIFIED PASSENGER VESSEL WHICH CALLS
AT BOTH BEIRUT AND HAIFA. ATTACK REPORTEDLY WILL BE TIMED
TO COINCIDE WITH FIRST SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARY OF LIBYAN
REVOLUTION (1969).

2. THERE ARE NO U.S. FLAG PASSENGER VESSELS IN SERVICE IN
THE MEDITERRANEAN. HOWEVER, THERE IS CONSIDERABLE PASSENGER
AND CRUISE SERVICE BY VESSELS OF OTHER NATIONS, IN PARTI-
CULAR THOSE OF WESTERN EUROPE, MANY OF WHICH CARRY U.S.
CITIZENS.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: ACTION ADDRESSEES ARE REQUESTED TO
INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS OF REPORT TO ENABLE THEM TO TAKE

APPROPRIATE PRECAUTIONARY SECURITY MEASURES WITH RESPECT
TO ANY OF THEIR PASSENGER VESSELS WHICH MAY BE IN THE
AREA DURING THE PERIOD INDICATED. MAW

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